

VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
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Title: Ultra-Compact and Highly Portable Absorbent Articles

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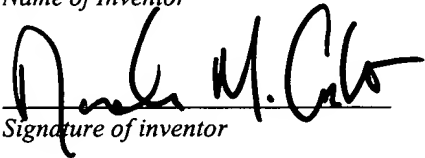
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DECLARATION AND AUTHORIZATION OF AGENT

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I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled ULTRA-COMPACT AND HIGHLY PORTABLE ABSORBENT ARTICLES, the specification of which:

- ☒ is attached hereto; or
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